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Malabar 05 Joint Naval Exercises



Indian and American aircraft carriers, submarines and other naval vessels participated in the Malabar 05 joint exercises, allowing some 10,000 personnel from both countries to practice anti-terrorism operations and rescue missions in the Arabian Sea from September 25 to October 5. Among the participating vessels was the USS Nimitz aircraft carrier which has a 1.8-hectare flight deck (photograph left). A news conference aboard the INS Mysore is addressed by Capt. S.P.S. Cheema of the INS Viraat and U.S. Navy Capt. Michael Smith, along with commanding officers of the other vessels in the exercise (center left). The Indian submarine INS Shankul passes the USS Chafee off the coast of Goa (center right). In the lower left is a view of ships during the exercise and in the lower right, a Sea Harrier takes off from the INS Viraat.

